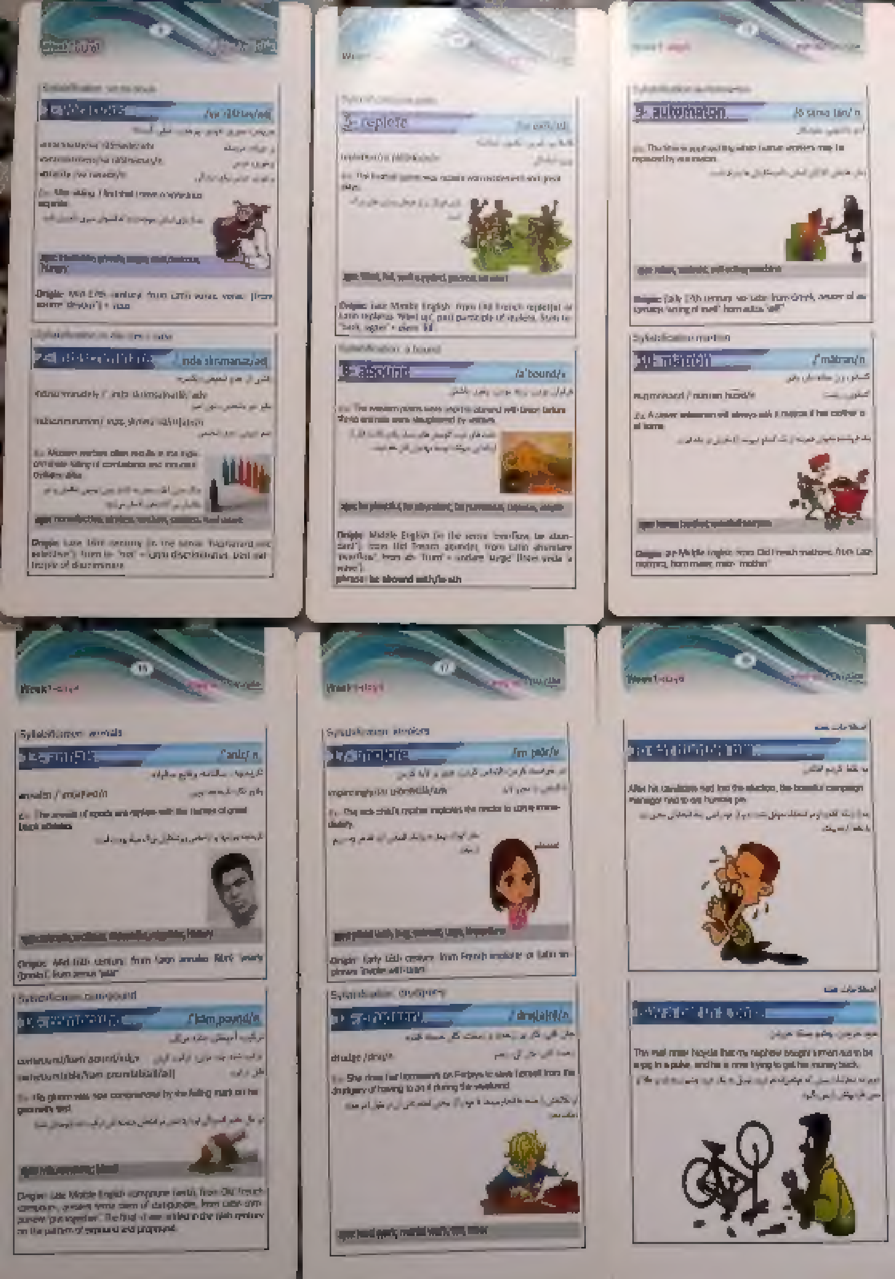

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible] /[illegible]/(adj)

[illegible]

[illegible]ly / [illegible] (adv)

Ex: The [illegible]

syn: [illegible], distinguished, prominent, notable, great, important

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Syllabification: sleep

[illegible] /[illegible]/(adj, n)

[illegible]

[illegible]ly / [illegible] (adv)

[illegible]ness / [illegible] (n)

Ex: My cousin was so steeped in a textbook that his friends call him a bookworm.

[illegible]

syn: [illegible], steep, [illegible], perpendicular

Origin: Old English steap 'extending to a great height', related to [illegible] and stoop.

Syllabification: tech·nol·o·gy

[illegible] /tek nälәjē/(n)

[illegible]

technologist /[illegible]/(n)

technological / [illegible] (adj)

Ex: [illegible] the products of scientific technology.

[illegible]

Origin: Early 17th century: from Greek tekhnologia 'systematic treatment', from tekhnē 'art, craft' + -logia.

Syllabification: prog·nos·ti·cate

[illegible] /präg nästә kāt/(v)

[illegible]

prognostication /präg nästә kāshәn/(n)

prognosticatory / [illegible] (adj)

Ex: The mayor refused to prognosticate as to the margin of victory in the election.

[illegible]

syn: forecast, predict, prophesy, foretell, [illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: from medieval Latin prognosticat- from the verb prognosticare 'make a prediction'.

Syllabification: par·a·dox

[illegible] / parә däks /n

[illegible]

paradoxical / [illegible] (adj)

Ex: One of the great paradoxes of American life is that though minority groups have suffered injustices, nowhere in the world have so many varied groups lived together so harmoniously.

[illegible]

syn: contradiction, self-contradiction, inconsistency

Origin: Mid 16th century (originally denoting a statement contrary to accepted opinion): via late Latin from Greek paradoxon 'contrary (opinion)', neuter adjective used as a noun, from para- 'distinct from' + doxa 'opinion'.

Syllabification: realm

[illegible] /relm/n

[illegible]

Ex: The cruel king would not allow the prince to enter his realm, restricting him to the forest, which abounded with wild animals.

[illegible]

syn: kingdom, [illegible], domain, [illegible], region

Origin: Middle English rewme, from Old French reaume, from Latin regimen 'government'. The spelling with -l- (standard from [illegible]) was influenced by Old French reial 'royal'.

Syllabification: tinge

[illegible] /tinj/n

[illegible]

Ex: A tinge of garlic is all that's necessary in most recipes.

[illegible]

syn: tint, [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], [illegible]

Origin: Late 15th century: from Latin tingere 'to dip or colour'. The noun dates from the mid 18th century.

Syllabification: badg·er

[illegible] / bajәr /(v)

[illegible]

Ex: The teacher continually badgers the pupil for the missing assignments.

[illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Early 16th century: perhaps from badge, with reference to the distinctive head markings. The verb sense (late 18th century) originates from the sport of badger-baiting.

Syllabification: in·ter·mi·na·ble

[illegible] /in tәrmәnәbәl/(adj)

[illegible]

interminability/ [illegible]/(n)

interminableness/ in tәrmәnәbәlnәs/(n)

interminably/ in tәrmәnәblē/(adv)

Ex: I listened to the boring lecture for what seemed an interminable fifty minutes.

[illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: from Old French, or from late Latin interminabilis, from in- 'not' + terminare.

Syllabification: per·ceive

[illegible] /pәr sēv/(v)

[illegible]

perceivable/ pәr sēvәbәl/ (adj)

Ex: The eminent scientist perceives difficulties in putting the invention into practice.

[illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from a variant of Old French perçoivre, from Latin percipere 'seize, understand', from per- 'entirely' + capere 'take'.

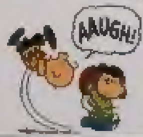
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

The [illegible] in spring training, but [illegible] to be a [illegible] in the [illegible].

[illegible]



[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

When [illegible] both the angry husband and his wife [illegible] and began to attack the [illegible]

[illegible]

Syllabification: la·con·ic

1- laconic /lə'kɒnɪk/ adj

[illegible]

laconically /lə'kɒnɪk(ə)li/ adv [illegible]
laconicism /lə'kɒnɪsɪz(ə)m/ n [illegible]

Ex: His speech was usually rambling, but this time I found it brief and laconic.

[illegible]

syn: brief, concise, to the point, using few words

Origin: Mid 16th century (in the sense 'Laconian'): via Latin from Greek Lakōnikos, from Lakōn 'Laconia, Sparta', the Spartans being known for their terse speech.

Syllabification: throng

2- Throng /θrɒŋ/ n, v

[illegible]

Ex: A howling throng of teenage girls surrounded the rock artist.

[illegible]

syn: crowd, mass, gathering, group

Origin: Old English (ge)thrang 'crowd, tumult', of Germanic origin. The early sense of the verb (Middle English) was 'press violently, force one's way'.

Syllabification: ret·i·cent

5- reticent /'retɪs(ə)nt/ adj

[illegible]

reticently /'retɪs(ə)ntli/ adv [illegible]
reticence /'retɪs(ə)ns/ n [illegible]

Ex: Even under repeated questioning, the witness remained reticent.

[illegible]

syn: reserved, reluctant, uncommunicative, quiet, silent

Origin: Mid 19th century: from Latin reticent- 'remaining silent', from the verb reticere, from re- (expressing intensive force) + tacere 'be silent'.

Syllabification: fur·tive

6- furtive /'fɜːtɪv/ adj

[illegible]

furtiveness /'fɜːtɪvnəs/ n [illegible]
furtively /'fɜːtɪvli/ adv [illegible]

Ex: In a furtive manner she removed her shoes and tiptoed up to her room.

[illegible]

syn: secretive, secret, surreptitious, hidden, covert

Origin: Early 17th century: from French furtif, -ive or Latin furtivus, from furtum 'theft'.

Syllabification: hap·less

9- hapless /'hapləs/ adj

[illegible]

Ex: The hapless rooster always felt unable to increase the turkey breed.

[illegible]

syn: unfortunate, unlucky, ill-fated, unhappy, miserable

Origin: Late Middle English: from hap (in the early sense 'good fortune') + -less.

Syllabification: i·rate

10- irate /ʌɪ'reɪt/ adj

[illegible]

irateness /ʌɪ'reɪtnəs/ n [illegible]
irately /ʌɪ'reɪtli/ adv [illegible]

Ex: My uncle was irate when the drunken driver swerved in front of us.

[illegible]

syn: angry, furious, infuriated, enraged, mad

Origin: Mid 19th century: from Latin iratus, from ira 'anger'.

Syllabification: a·droit

13- adroit /ə'drɔɪt/ adj

[illegible]

adroitly /ə'drɔɪtli/ adv [illegible]
adroitness /ə'drɔɪtnəs/ n [illegible]

Ex: My nephew is quite adroit at making model airplanes.

[illegible]

syn: skilful, adept, ingenious, brilliant, intelligent

Origin: Mid 17th century: from French, from à droit 'according to right, properly'.

Syllabification: ges·tic·u·late

14- gesticulate /dʒɛ'stɪkjʊleɪt/ v

[illegible]

gesticulative [illegible] adj [illegible]
gesticulator [illegible] n [illegible]
gesticulatory [illegible] adj [illegible]

Ex: I often marvel as I watch the traffic officer gesticulate at the [illegible] cars.

[illegible]

syn: gesture, [illegible], signal, sign

Origin: Early 17th century: from Latin gesticulat- 'gesticulated', from the verb gesticulari, from gesticulus, diminutive of gestus 'action'.

Syllabification: ca·jole

17- cajole /kə'dʒəʊl/ v

[illegible]

cajolement /kə'dʒəʊlmənt/ n [illegible]
cajolery /kə'dʒəʊl(ə)ri/ n [illegible]

Ex: The parakeet refused to be cajoled into entering her cage.

[illegible]

syn: persuade, coax, beguile, wheedle, tempt

Origin: Mid 17th century: from French cajoler.

Syllabification: ru·di·men·ta·ry

18- rudimentary /ruːdɪ'mɛnt(ə)ri/ adj

[illegible]

rudimentarily /ruːdɪmɛn'tɛrɪli/ adv
rudimentariness /ruːdɪ'mɛnt(ə)rɪnəs/ n

Ex: Since my grasp of algebra is rudimentary, I cannot solve the problems.

[illegible]

syn: basic, elementary, primary, fundamental, undeveloped

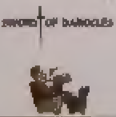
[illegible]

The sword of Damocles

[illegible]

Although the president of the company seemed quite secure, he always remembered that there was a sword of Damocles hanging over his head.

[illegible]



[illegible]

Pyrrhic victory

[illegible]

After heavy fighting the troops managed to recapture the hill, but it could only be considered a pyrrhic victory.

[illegible]

Syllabification: in·trep·id

3- intrepid

[illegible]

intrepidity/ [illegible]

intrepidly [illegible]

Ex: The [illegible] the Silver Star for his intrepid [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Late 17th century: from French intrépide or Latin intrepidus, from in- 'not' + trepidus 'alarmed'.

Syllabification: ac·cost

4- accost

/əˈkɔst/ v

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Late 16th century (originally in the sense 'lie or go along side'): from French accoster, from Italian accostare, from Latin ad- 'to' + costa 'rib, side'.

Syllabification: fel·on

7- felon

/ˈfelən/ n, adj

[illegible]

felony / [illegible]/n

felonious/fəˈlōnēəs/adj

Ex: Once the [illegible] that Otis associated with a known felon, he fired him.

[illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from Old French, literally 'wicked, a wicked person' (oblique case of fel 'evil'), from medieval Latin fello, fellon-, of unknown origin.

Syllabification: pleth·o·ra

8- plethora

/ˈpleTHərə/n

[illegible]

plethoric/ [illegible] adj

Ex: When the teacher asked why the homework had not been done, he was greeted by a plethora of incredible alibis.

[illegible]

Origin: Mid 16th century (in the medical sense): via late Latin from Greek plēthōra, from plēthein 'be full'.

Syllabification: pre·text

11- pretext

/ˈprēˌtekst/n

[illegible]

Ex: Her period of mourning [illegible] for an instant.

[illegible]

Origin: Early 16th century: from Latin praetextus 'outward display', from the verb praetexere 'to disguise', from prae 'before' + texere 'weave'.

Phrase: on (or under) the pretext

Syllabification: fab·ri·cate

12- fabricate

/ˈfabrəˌkāt/v

[illegible]

fabrication/ [illegible]/n

Ex: Most fishermen can fabricate a story about the size of the one that got away.

[illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: from Latin fabricat- 'manufactured', from the verb fabricare, from fabrica 'something skilfully produced'.

Syllabification: vig·i·lant

15- vigilant

/ˈvijələnt/ adj

[illegible]

vigilantly / [illegible] adv

Ex: The shootings at Columbine High School made educators much more vigilant.

[illegible]

Origin: Late 15th century: from Latin vigilant- 'keeping awake', from the verb vigilare, from vigil.

Syllabification: av·id

16- avid

/ˈavəd/ adj

[illegible]

avidity /[illegible]/n

avidly / [illegible]/adv

Ex: Bill Clinton is an avid reader of mystery stories.

[illegible]

Origin: Mid-18th century: from French avide or Latin avidus, from avere 'crave'.

Syllabification: en·hance

19- enhance

/inˈhans/v

[illegible]

enhancement/[illegible]/ n

enhancer/[illegible]/n

Ex: It will enhance your enjoyment of an opera if you know what the plot is about in advance.

[illegible]

Origin: Middle English (formerly also as inhance): from Anglo-Norman French enhauncer, based on Latin in- (expressing intensive force) + altus 'high'.

Syllabification: nu·ance

20- nuance

/ˈn(y)o͞oˌäns/n,v

[illegible]

Ex: In reading the satires of Jonathan Swift, one must be vigilant in order to catch each nuance.

[illegible]

Origin: Late 18th century: from French, 'shade, subtlety', from nuer 'to shade', based on Latin nubes 'cloud'.

[illegible]

A wet blanket

[illegible]

Everyone wanted the party to go on, but [illegible], the wet blanket, decided to go home to bed.

[illegible]

[illegible]

To beard the lion in his den

[illegible]

Having decided to beard the lion, I stormed into the manager's office to ask for a raise.

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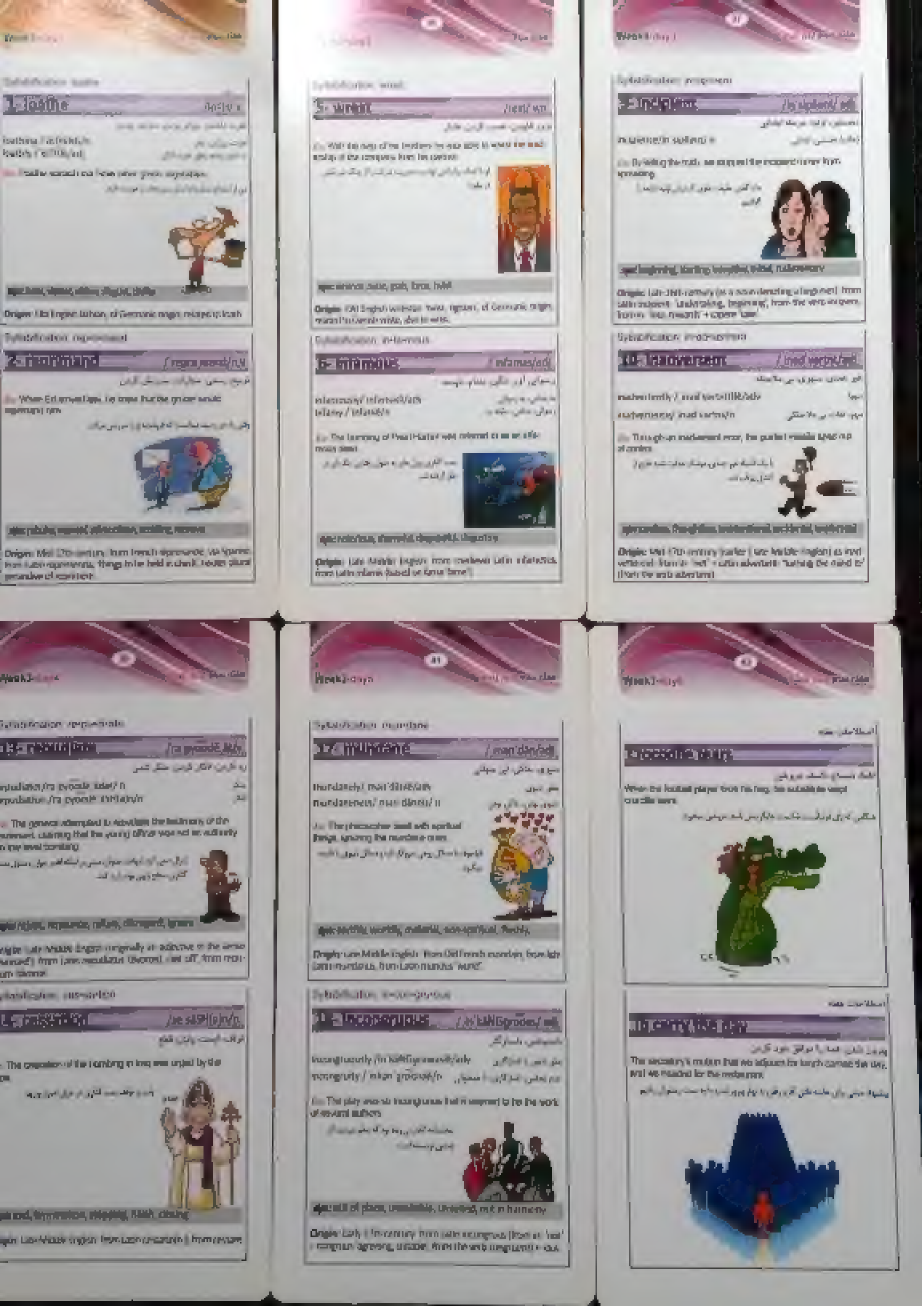

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Ex: [illegible]

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Syllabification: [illegible]

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Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: via Latin from Greek [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Late 17th century: from dialect French [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Late 16th century [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Mid 17th century [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from Old English [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

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Ex: [illegible]

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Origin: [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

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Ex: [illegible]

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Origin: Early 17th century: [illegible]

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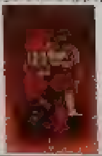

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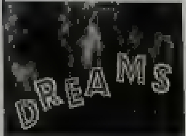

Syllabification: [illegible]

1- alacrity

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

Syn: eagerness, willingness, [illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: from Latin [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

2- [illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

Syn: [illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

3- scoff

[illegible]

Ex: I don't understand modern art, but I realize [illegible]

Syn: sneer, deride, ridicule, laugh at, belittle

Syllabification: [illegible]

4- dissension

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

Syn: [illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from Old French [illegible]

Syllabification: pug·na·cious

5- pugnacious

pugnaciously [illegible]

pugnacity [illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

Syn: [illegible]

Origin: Mid 17th century: from Latin pugnax, [illegible]

Syllabification: be·lit·tle

6- belittle

[illegible]

Ex: Although Ralph can't play, he doesn't hesitate to belittle the efforts of our football team.

Syn: disparage, depreciate, minimize, undervalue, discredit

Syllabification: cas·ti·gate

13- castigate

castigation [illegible] n

castigator [illegible] n

castigatory [illegible] adj

Ex: [illegible]

Syn: [illegible]

Origin: Early 17th century: from Latin castigat- 'reproved', from castus 'pure, chaste'

Syllabification: sor·did

14- sordid

sordidly [illegible]

sordidness [illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

Syn: [illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English [illegible]

Syllabification: as·pi·rant

17- aspirant

Ex: The publisher scoffed at the reports that he was an aspirant for the job of secretary of state.

Syn: [illegible]

Origin: Mid 18th century (as a noun): from [illegible] 'aspiring', from the verb aspirare

Syllabification: dregs

18- dregs

dreggy/ [illegible] /adj

Ex: At the bottom of the beautiful wine bottle, only the dregs remained.

Syn: [illegible]

Origin: Middle English: probably of Scandinavian origin and related to [illegible]

19- throw down the gauntlet

The principal of our rival school threw down the gauntlet, and we had no choice but to accept the challenge.

feeling no pain

Although the party had just begun, after his first drink he was feeling no pain.

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Ex: [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

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Ex: [illegible]

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Origin: [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

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Origin: [illegible]

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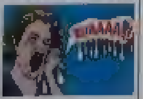

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Origin: [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

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Ex: [illegible]

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Syllabification: [illegible]

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Ex: [illegible]

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Origin: [illegible]

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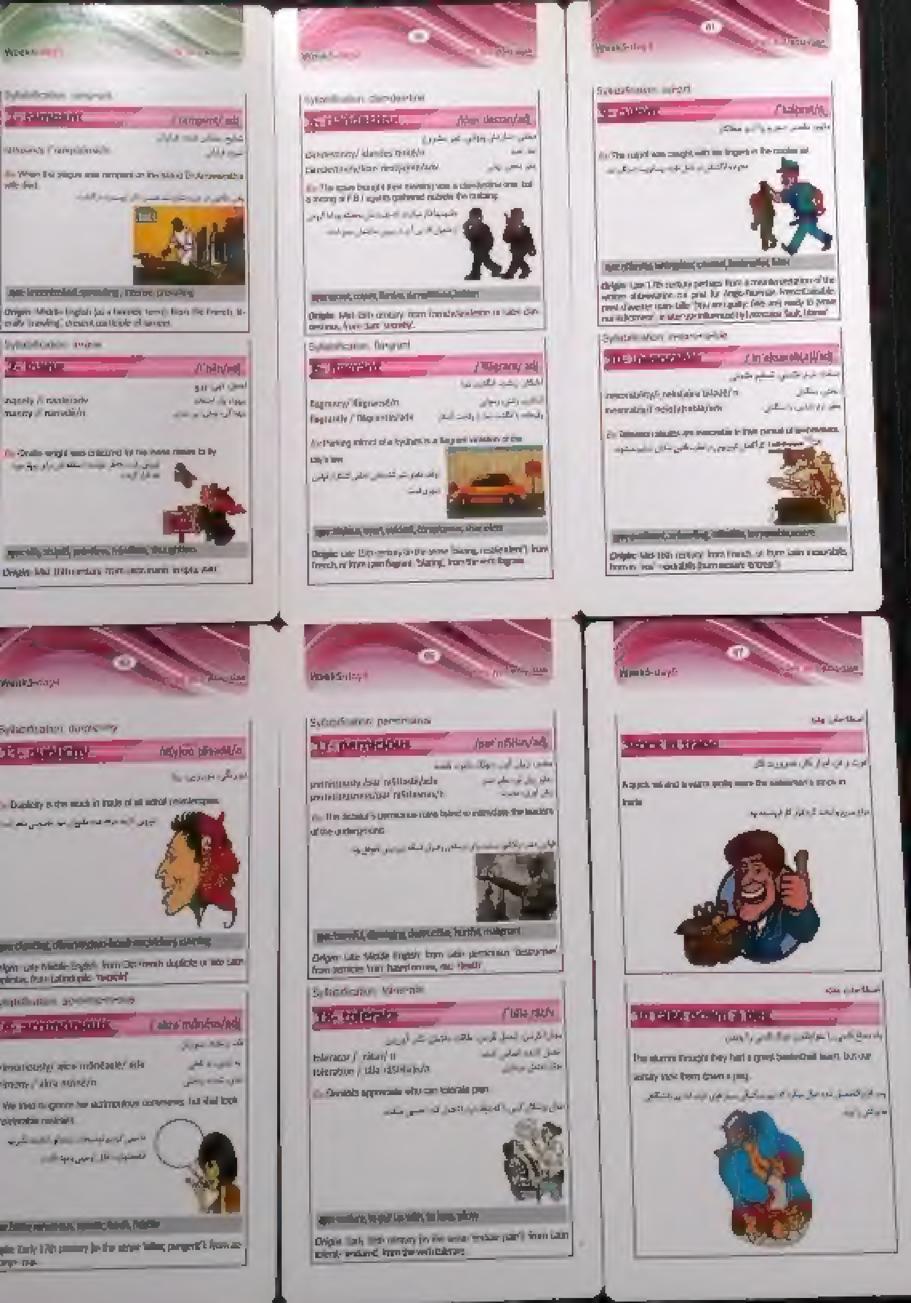

ification: ethics

ethics

[illegible]

...ical/ [illegible]

...ically/ [illegible]

...special management committee was asked to investigate ...e affairs.

[illegible]

...morals, moral values, rights and wrongs, virtues

...fication: concur

...concur /kən kɜː/v

[illegible]

...rrence/kən ˈkʌrəns/n

...rrent /kən ˈkʌrənt/adj

...rrently/kən ˈkʌrəntli/adv

...can get my parents to concur, I'll join the Peace Corps

[illegible]

...agree, go along, fall in, be in sympathy, be of the same mind

...: Late Middle English (also in the senses 'collide' and 'act in ...ncert'): from Latin concurrere 'run together, assemble in ...', from con- 'together with' + currere 'to run'

Syllabification: ad·mon·ish

7- admonish /ədˈmɒnɪʃ/v

[illegible]

admonishment /ədˈmɒnɪʃmənt/n [illegible]

admonitory/ədˈmɒnɪt(ə)ri/adj [illegible]

admonition/ ˌædməˈnɪʃ(ə)n/n [illegible]

Ex: I suspect that my father will admonish me for coming home late.

[illegible]

syn: reprimand, chastise, castigate, criticize, [illegible]

Origin: Middle English amonest 'urge, exhort', from Old French amonester, based on Latin admonere 'urge by warning'. Later, the final -t of amonest was taken to indicate the past tense, and the present tense changed on the pattern of verbs such as abolish; the prefix became ad- in the 16th century by association with the Latin form.

Syllabification: du·ress

8- duress /djʊ(ə)ˈrɛs/n

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Ex: The confession was signed under duress, the attorney claimed.

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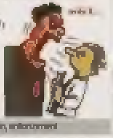

syn: coercion, pressure, intimidation, enforcement

Origin: Middle English (in the sense 'harshness, severity, cruel treatment'): via Old French from Latin duritia, from durus 'hard'.

Syllabification: e·gre·gious

11- egregious /ɪˈɡriːdʒəs/adj

[illegible]

Ex: The bank teller's egregious error was difficult to correct.

[illegible]

syn: rude, flagrant, shocking, terrible, awful

Origin: Mid 16th century: from Latin egregius 'illustrious', literally 'standing out from the flock', from ex- 'out' + grex, greg- 'flock'.

Syllabification: dis·traught

12- distraught /dɪˈstrɔːt/adj

[illegible]

Ex: The soldiers were distraught to learn that the furloughs had been canceled.

[illegible]

syn: worried, upset, distressed, overwrought, hysterical

Origin: Late Middle English: alteration of the obsolete adjective distract (from Latin distractus 'pulled apart'), influenced by straught, archaic past participle of stretch.

...ification: pau·ci·ty

...paucity /ˈpɔːsɪti/ n

[illegible]

...ough it was a creative writing class, the teacher com... about the paucity of talent there.

[illegible]

...city, shortage, poverty, insufficiency, lack

...: Late Middle English: from Old French paucite or Latin paucitas, from paucus 'few'.

...fication: e·lic·it

...elicit /ɪˈlɪsɪt/v

[illegible]

...tion /ɪˌlɪsɪˈteɪʃ(ə)n/n [illegible]

...tor/ [illegible] /n [illegible]

...t easy to elicit answers from a sleepy class on Monday

[illegible]

...ain, extract, induce, to draw forth

...Mid 17th century: from Latin elicit- 'drawn out by trickery ...', from the verb elicere, from e- (variant of ex-) 'out' + lacere 'to entice'.

Syllabification: con·strue

19- construe /kənˈstruː/v

[illegible]

Ex: She hoped that we would not construe her decision to run for office as a thirst for power.

[illegible]

syn: interpret, understand, analyze, explain, elucidate

Origin: Late Middle English: from Latin construere, in late Latin 'analyze the construction of a sentence'.

Syllabification: im·pu·ni·ty

20- impunity /ɪmˈpjuːnɪti/n

[illegible]

Ex: The border guards allowed the bandits to cross the frontier with impunity.

[illegible]

syn: immunity, amnesty, pardon, freedom from punishment

Origin: Mid 16th century: from Latin impunitas, from impunis 'unpunished', from in- 'not' + poena 'penalty' or punire 'punish'.

[illegible]

To pass the buck

[illegible]

He always gives me a straight answer and never tries to pass the buck.

[illegible]

[illegible]

To lionize a person

[illegible]

When the famous poet Dylan Thomas visited the United States, he was lionized wherever he lectured.

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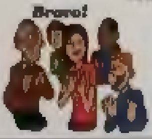

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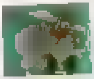

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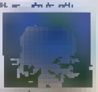

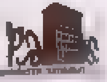

Week [illegible]

[illegible]

/ɪmˈplækəb(ə)l/ adj.

[illegible]

Origin: late Middle English: [illegible]

Week [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Middle English [illegible]

Week [illegible]

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Origin: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: late Middle English: [illegible]

Week [illegible]

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Week [illegible]

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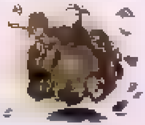

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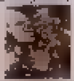

Syllabification: e·ma·ci·at·ed

1- emaciated

/ɪˈmeɪsieɪtɪd/

[illegible]

emaciation/ɪˌmeɪsiˈeɪʃ(ə)n/ n

The emaciated residents of the [illegible] from the house.

[illegible]

Synonyms: thin, undernourished [illegible]

Origin: Early 17th century: from Latin emaciat- 'made thin', from the verb emaciare, from e- (expressing a change of state) + macies 'leanness'.

Syllabification: surge

2- surge

/sərj/ n

[illegible]

Chicago put its [illegible] players in front, but they were helpless as the [illegible] surged toward them.

[illegible]

Synonyms: [illegible]

Origin: [illegible] the Old French [illegible] Early senses [illegible] rise and fall on the waves [illegible] with great force.

Syllabification: as·cend

5- ascend

/əˈsend/ v

[illegible]

ascendancy [illegible]

ascendant [illegible]

[illegible] the determined climber began to ascend the [illegible] peak.

[illegible]

Synonyms: climb, go up, [illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: from Latin ascendere, from ad- 'to' + scandere 'to climb'.

Phrases: ascend the throne

Syllabification: mal·nu·tri·tion

6- malnutrition

/ˌmalnjʊˈtrɪʃ(ə)n/ n

[illegible]

The [illegible] prisoners were [illegible] suffering from advanced malnutrition.

[illegible]

Synonyms: [illegible]

Syllabification: pri·va·tion

9- privation

/prʌɪˈveɪʃ(ə)n/ n

[illegible]

privative [illegible]

privatively [illegible]

Albert Schweitzer endured considerable privation as a jungle doctor.

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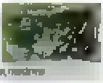

Synonyms: [illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from Latin privatio(n-), from privat- 'deprived', from the verb privare.

Syllabification: sin·is·ter

10- sinister

/ˈsɪnɪstə/ adj

[illegible]

The [illegible] the detective [illegible] the murder.

[illegible]

Synonyms: menacing, threatening, ominous, disturbing, dark

Origin: Late Middle English in the sense 'malicious, underhand': from Old French sinistre or Latin sinister 'left'.

Syllabification: thwart

13- thwart

/θwɔːt/ v, n, prep, adv

[illegible]

[illegible] an attempt to thwart the [illegible] a house with a moat of burning oil.

[illegible]

Synonyms: [illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from the adjective thwart 'perverse, obstinate, adverse', from Old Norse thvert, neuter of thverr 'transverse', from an Indo-European root shared by Latin torquere 'to twist'.

Syllabification: res·pite

17- respite

/ˈrespʌɪt/ n, v

[illegible]

respite [illegible]

[illegible]

The [illegible] the father no [illegible]

[illegible]

Synonyms: [illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from Old French respit, from Latin respectus 'refuge, consideration'.

[illegible]

Sour grapes

[illegible]

Marco said that she didn't want to be on the principal's honor roll anyway, but we know that it was just sour grapes on her part.

[illegible]

Syllabification: har·bin·ger

14- harbinger

/ˈhɑːbɪn(d)ʒə/ n

[illegible]

Ex. The [illegible] was a harbinger of the delicious meal to follow.

[illegible]

Synonyms: herald, sign, [illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from Old French herbergere, from herberge 'lodging', from Old Saxon heriberga 'shelter for an army, lodging' (from heri 'army' + a Germanic base meaning 'fortified place'), related to harbour.

Syllabification: re·ver·ber·ate

18- reverberate

/rɪˈvəːbəreɪt/ v

[illegible]

reverberantly/-rənt/adv

reverberative [illegible]

reverberation [illegible]

The rescue team heard the miner's voice reverberating through the caves.

[illegible]

Synonyms: [illegible]

Origin: Late 15th century [illegible] from Latin reverberare 'strike again', from re- 'back' + verberare 'to lash' (from verbera (plural) 'scourge').

[illegible]

To swap horses in midstream

[illegible]

The mayor asked for our support, pointing out how foolish it would be to swap horses in midstream.

[illegible]

3- tranquil

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

4- sanctuary

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

7- afflict

[illegible]

Citizens of several Kentucky mountain communities are afflicted by the worst poverty in the nation.

Origin: [illegible]

8- besiege

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

11- ubiquitous

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

12- [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

15- malignant

[illegible]

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16- excruciating

[illegible]

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19- fretful

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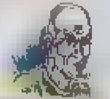

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20- succumb

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Origin: [illegible]

To cool ones heels

[illegible]

a red herring

[illegible]

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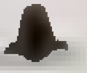

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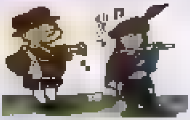

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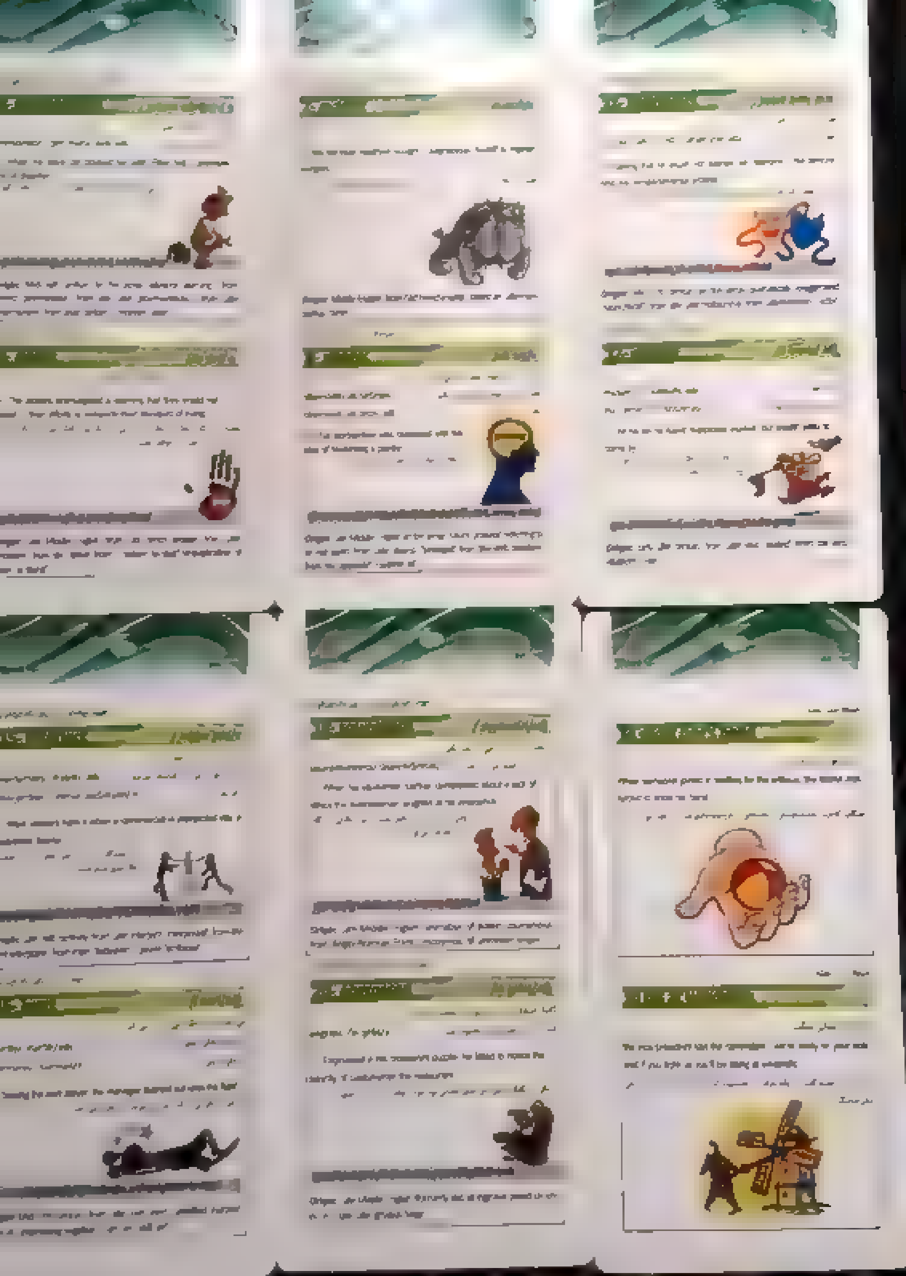

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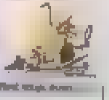

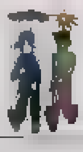

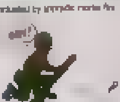

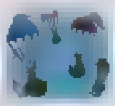

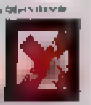

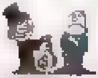

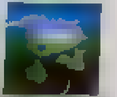

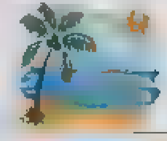

Week 13-day

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importune

/ɪmˈpɔːtjuːn/ v

importunity [illegible]

importunately [illegible]

importunate [illegible]

Although Eddie [illegible] to importune his boss for a [illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Mid 16th century: from French importuner [illegible] importunus [illegible]

incontrovertible

/ˌɪnkɒntrəˈvɜːtəb(ə)l/ adj

incontrovertibility [illegible]

incontrovertibly [illegible] adv

2. The expert's incontrovertible testimony [illegible] report

syn: [illegible]

Week 13-day

subjugate

/ˈsʌbdʒʊɡeɪt/ v

subjugation [illegible]

subjugator [illegible]

The [illegible] in order to [illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: late Middle English: from late Latin subjugat- [illegible] from the verb subjugare, based on jugum 'yoke'

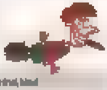
ultimate

/ˈʌltɪmət/ adj

ultimately [illegible]

ultimateness [illegible]

[illegible] was the ultimate goal of the [illegible]



syn: eventual, final, concluding, terminal, last

Origin: Mid [illegible] century: from late Latin ultimatus, past part. [illegible]

Week 13-day

subterranean

/ˌsʌbtəˈreɪnɪən/ adj

subterraneously [illegible] adv

After two years of confinement in a subterranean [illegible] the prisoner [illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Early 17th century: from Latin subterraneus (from sub- 'below' + terra 'earth') + -an

viable

/ˈvaɪəb(ə)l/ adj

viability /vaɪəˈbɪlɪti/ n

viably /ˈvaɪəbli/ adv

When the [illegible] in the [illegible] a viable arrangement [illegible]

syn: workable, realistic, practical, usable, possible

Origin: early 19th century: from French, from vie 'life', from Latin vita. The general [illegible] the sense 'workable, practicable' arose in the mid [illegible]

Week 13-day

Syllabification: in·cred·u·lous

incredulous

/ɪnˈkrɛdjʊləs/ adj

incredulously/ɪnˈkrɛdjʊləsli/ adv

incredulousness/ɪnˈkrɛdjʊləsnəs/ n

incredulity/ˌɪnkrɪˈdjuːlɪti/ n

1. After [illegible] perused the [illegible] were incredulous about their chances of winning

syn: [illegible]

Origin: late 16th century: from Latin incredulus [illegible]

Syllabification: per·me·ate

permeate

/ˈpɜːmɪeɪt/ v

permeation/ˌpɜːmɪˈeɪʃ(ə)n/ n

permeator/ˈpɜːmɪeɪtə/ n

A terrible odor that was impossible to expunge permeated the [illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Mid 17th century: from Latin permeat- 'passed through', from the verb permeare, from per- 'through' + meare 'pass, go'

Week 13-day

Syllabification: cur·tail

curtail

/kəːˈteɪl/ v

curtailment/kəːˈteɪlm(ə)nt/ n

Publication of the [illegible] magazine was curtailed by [illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: late 15th century: from obsolete curtal 'horse with a docked tail', from French courtault, from court 'short', from Latin curtus. The change in the ending was due to association with tail and perhaps also with French tailler 'to cut'

Syllabification: re·press

repress

/rɪˈprɛs/ v

represser/rɪˈprɛsə/ n

repressible/rɪˈprɛsɪb(ə)l/ adj

repressive/rɪˈprɛsɪv/ adj

I had to repress my desire to [illegible] my criticism during the [illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Middle English (in the sense 'keep back (something objectionable)'): from Latin repress- 'pressed back, checked', from the verb reprimere, from re- 'back' + premere 'to press'

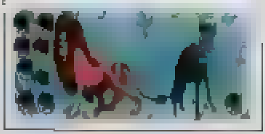
Week 13-days

[illegible]

After several days of delay, the [illegible] decided to [illegible] by the [illegible] and [illegible] by the [illegible]

[illegible]

Because the salesman was essential to the business, he [illegible] a share of the profits



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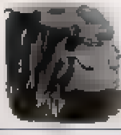

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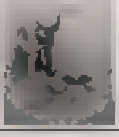


[illegible]

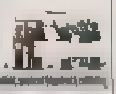
[illegible]

[illegible] it a lifelong ambition that [illegible] would aspire to the position of captain.

Origin [illegible]

inveigh

[illegible] The activists agreed to inveigh against the law [illegible]



Origin [illegible]

relegate

When they tried to relegate the star to a minor role she was furious.

Origin [illegible]

supine

From a supine position, [illegible] the animal's [illegible]

Origin [illegible]

havoc

The ancient plague caused havoc among the population.

Origin [illegible]

raze

Following the revolution, the people razed [illegible] of the dictator.

Origin [illegible]

incisive

The editor [illegible] the proposal with an incisive [illegible]

Origin [illegible]

singular

A notable peace was brought about as a result of the diplomat's singular contribution.

Origin Middle English [illegible] from Old French *singuler* [illegible]

to bury the hatchet

After not speaking to each other for a year, they decided to bury the hatchet.

precipitate

A quarrel was precipitated among the [illegible] after they heard the news of the [illegible]

Origin [illegible]

valor

[illegible]

Origin [illegible]

Philadelphia lawyer

The case is so intricate that it would take a Philadelphia lawyer to sort it out.

Week 14 [illegible]

[illegible]

3- nettle

[illegible]

Although the [illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible] Middle English

[illegible]

4- overt

[illegible]

overtly [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Middle English: from Old French [illegible]

[illegible]

7 mammoth

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible] century: from Russian [illegible]

[illegible]

8- repulse

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible]

Week 14

[illegible]

21- lethal

[illegible]

lethality [illegible]

lethally [illegible]

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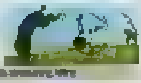

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Origin: [illegible] death [illegible]

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22- scurry

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: [illegible] 18th century: abbreviation of hurry-scurry, reduplication of hurry

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Week 14

[illegible]

15- stereotype

[illegible]

stereotypical [illegible]

stereotypically [illegible]

ex. The [illegible] Western hero

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: late 18th century: from French stéréotype (adjective)

[illegible]

16- stentorian

[illegible]

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[illegible]

Week 14

[illegible]

19- bias

[illegible]

biased [illegible]

ex. The [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Origin: Mid 16th century [illegible] from French biais, from Provençal, perhaps based on Greek [illegible]

Phrases: cut on the bias

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20- sinecure

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sinecurism [illegible]

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ex. The director was [illegible] the mayor

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Origin: Mid 17th century: from Latin sine cura 'without care'

Week 14

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There was no need [illegible]

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18 steal one's thunder

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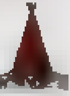

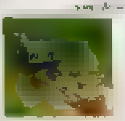

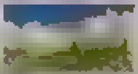

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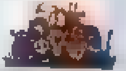

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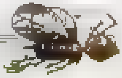

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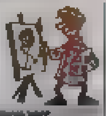

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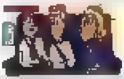

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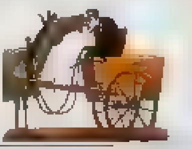

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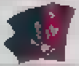

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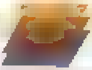

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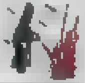

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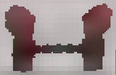

1 revile

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Origin: Middle English from Old French [illegible]

2 derogatory

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5 pesky

pesky [illegible]

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6 redolent

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9 disparate

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10 abstemious

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13 edifice

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14 sultry

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17 unabated

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The plague continued unabated [illegible]

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18 maudlin

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Left holding the bag

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A lick and a promise

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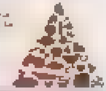
repose

omnivorous



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15 trenchant

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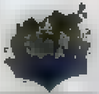
19 levity



lugubrious

tongue in cheek

to take the wind out of one's sails

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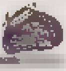

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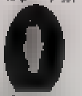

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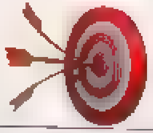

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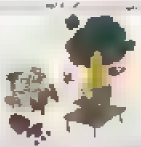

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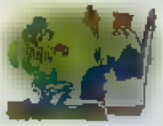

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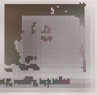

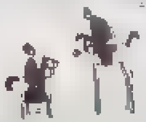

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[illegible] inanimate /ɪnˈænɪmət/ adj

Stones are inanimate objects that have no life of their own.

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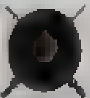

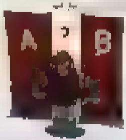

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Mary has been in the doldrums since her best friend moved away

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Syllabification: dod·der

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9. vogue

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10. superficial

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to strike while the iron is hot

paramount

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inevitable

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Once in a blue moon

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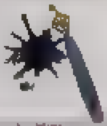

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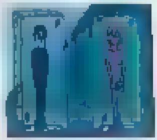

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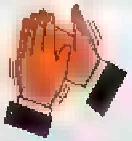
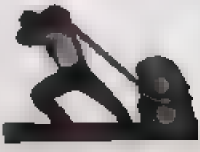
Popular entertainers can be counted on to bring down the house at every public performance.





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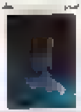

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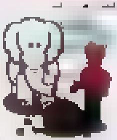

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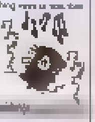

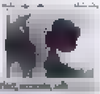

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Ex: The dinosaur is an extinct species.

Origin: late Middle English [illegible] from Latin [illegible] 'extinguished' from the verb [illegible]

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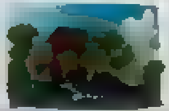
Ex: City dwellers often yearn for the idyllic life of the country.



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Ex: Today the trend is to more and more gaudy dress.

Origin: late 16th century: probably from gaud + -y

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Ex: He had such disdain for us, he would not condescend to speak before our group.

Origin: Middle English [illegible] from Old French condescendre, from ecclesiastical Latin condescendere, from con- 'together' + descendere 'descend'

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It is difficult to be jocose in the presence of so many doleful people.

Origin: late 17th century: from Latin jocosus, from jocus

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Ex: It is most common to malign the wealthy for their success.

Origin: Middle English via Old French maligne (adjective), malignier (verb), based on Latin malignus 'tending to evil', from malus 'bad'

[illegible]

Origin: Mid 19th century: from the obsolete adjective fledge 'fit to fly'

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Ex: There is no peremptory [illegible]

Origin: late Middle English: via Anglo-Norman French from Latin peremptorius 'deadly, decisive', from perimere 'destroy, cut off', from the verb [illegible] from per- 'completely' + emere 'take'

[illegible]

Ex: The rustic life is supposed to be a tranquil one.

Origin: late Middle English (in the sense 'rural'): from Latin rusticus, from rus 'the country'

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Ex: We were jubilant when our [illegible]

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During the night before the fight, the [illegible]

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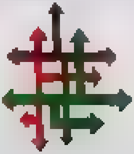

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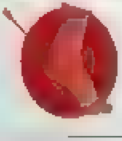

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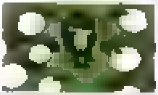

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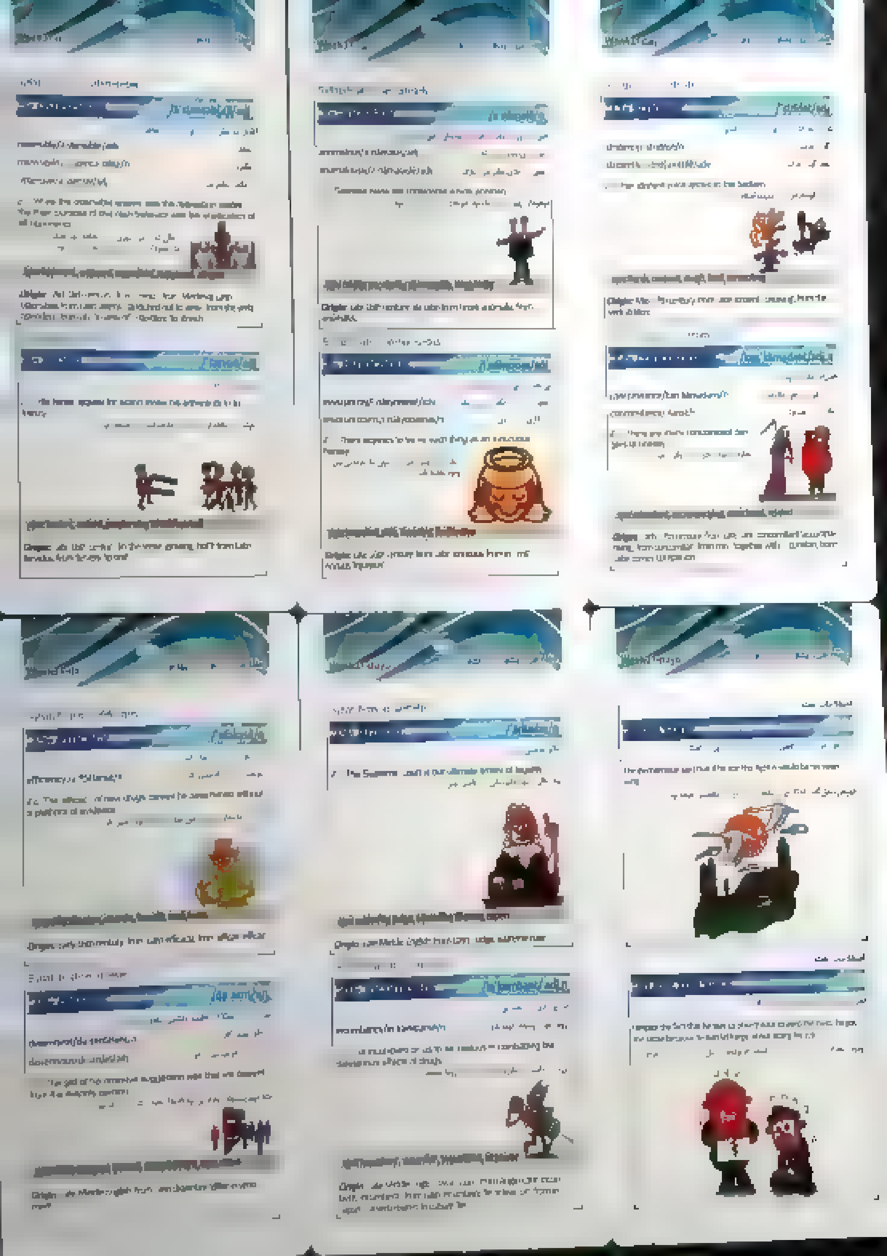

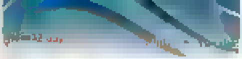

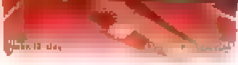

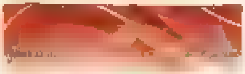

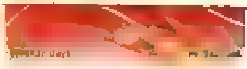

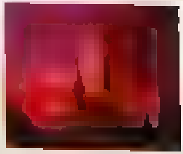

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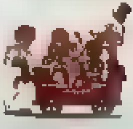

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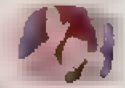

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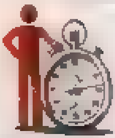

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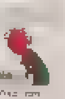

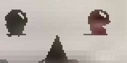

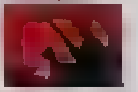

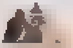

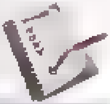

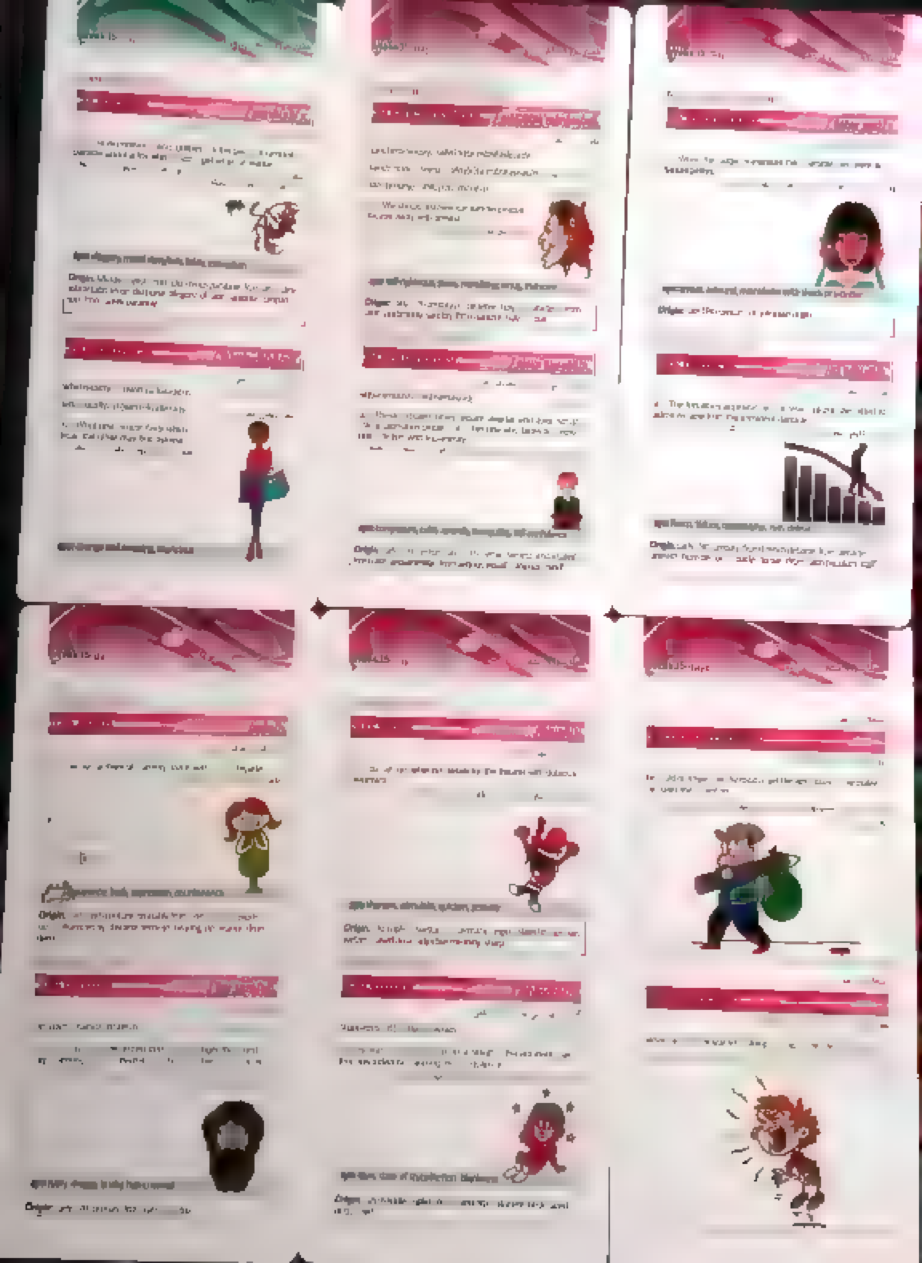

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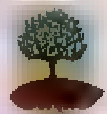

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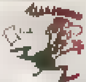

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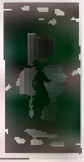

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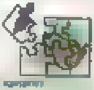

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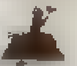

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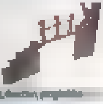

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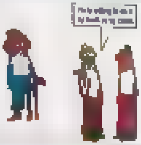

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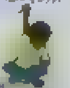

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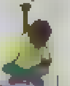

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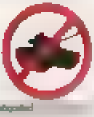

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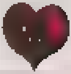

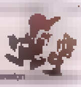

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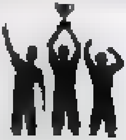

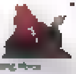

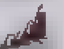

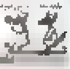

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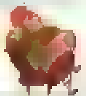

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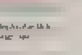

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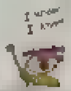
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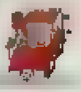

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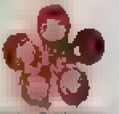

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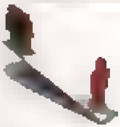

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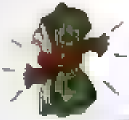

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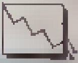

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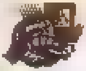

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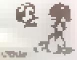

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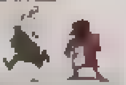

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To build upon sand

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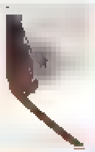

Syllabification: wist·ful

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wistfully/ [illegible] adv

wistfulness/ [illegible] n

Ex: To be candid, there is little to be wistful about in the "good old days".

[illegible]

syn: nostalgic, yearning, regretful, melancholy, [illegible]

Origin: Early 17th century: apparently from obsolete wistly 'intently', influenced by wistful.

Syllabification: gar·ment

[illegible]

Ex: The purpose of [illegible] garment includes the [illegible]

[illegible]

syn: clothing, garments

Origin: Middle English: shortening of [illegible] 'equipment', [illegible]

Syllabification: rail

[illegible]

Ex: While all disgruntled [illegible] may not agree [illegible] democracy offers a way to [illegible] through the ballot.

[illegible]

syn: rant, make a stand against, criticize, oppose

Origin: Middle English: from Old French reille 'iron rod', from Latin regula 'straight stick, rule'

Phrases: go off the rails

Syllabification: rac·on·teur

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Ex: Well known as a raconteur, he was never stumped when asked to tell a story from his large repertoire.

[illegible]

syn: storyteller, teller of tales, narrator

Origin: Early 19th century: French, from raconter 'relate, recount'.

Syllabification: em·is·sar·y

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Ex: The emissaries of our country [illegible] membership in the United Nations were [illegible]

[illegible]

syn: envoy, ambassador, agent, messenger, courier

Origin: Early 17th century: from Latin emissarius 'scout, spy', from emittere 'send out'.

Syllabification: ru·mi·nate

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rumination/ [illegible] n

ruminative/ [illegible] adj

ruminatively/ [illegible] adv

ruminator/ [illegible] n

Ex: An anomaly of our modern technology is that the more we need to know, the less time we have to ruminate.

[illegible]

syn: think, brood, ponder, meditate

Origin: Mid 16th century: from Latin ruminat- 'chewed over', from the verb ruminari

Syllabification: mar·ti·net

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Ex: When [illegible] in the army, [illegible] to be under the [illegible] of a martinet.

[illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Late 17th century: denoting the drill system invented by Martinet: named after Jean Martinet, 17th-century French drill-master.

Syllabification: yen

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Ex: The yen for [illegible] and camping with girls [illegible] to be [illegible]

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syn: [illegible]

Origin: From Cantonese yan 'craving'

Syllabification: ap·pall

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ap·pall/ [illegible]/ v

Ex: Each long holiday weekend we are appalled at the carnage on our highways.

[illegible]

syn: horrify, shock, dismay, disgust, offend

Origin: Middle English: from Old French apalir 'grow pale', from a- (from Latin ad- 'to, at') + palir 'to pale'. The original sense was 'grow pale', later 'make pale', hence 'dismay, horrify' (late Middle English).

Syllabification: pen·chant

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Ex: I do not wish to deprecate your penchant for [illegible] but I find it [illegible]

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syn: liking, taste, appetite, desire, [illegible]

Origin: Late 17th century: from French, literally 'leaning, inclining', present participle of the verb pencher.

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He thought he could keep the [illegible] about his opponent's [illegible], but he was flogging a dead horse.

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The fat was in the fire and the die was cast when he decided to tell the whole [illegible] about how he [illegible] the money.

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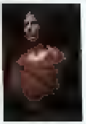

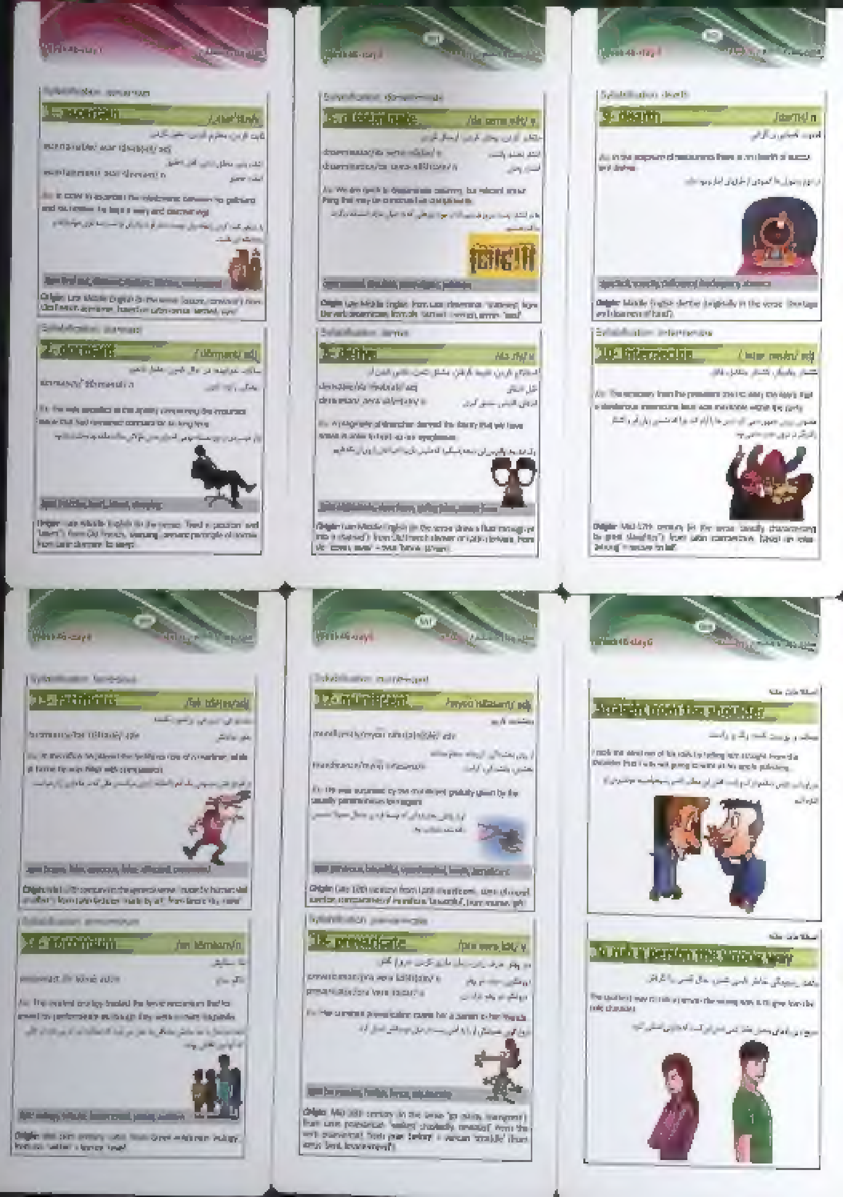

Syllabification: bur·geon

9- burgeon /ˈbərjən/ v

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Ex: While some [illegible] after World War II, others burgeoned under the [illegible] of money from the US.

[illegible]

syn: flourish, increase, develop, expand, grow

Origin: Middle English: from Old French [illegible] 'put out buds', from borjon 'bud', based on late Latin burra 'wool'.

Syllabification: por·tent

[illegible] portent /ˈpôrˌtent/ n

[illegible]

Ex: The [illegible]

[illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: from Latin portentum [illegible]

Syllabification: pre·rog·a·tive

7- prerogative /prəˈrägədiv/ n

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Ex: He gave his adversary the [illegible] prerogative of choosing the [illegible]

[illegible]

syn: entitlement, right, privilege, advantage, [illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: via Old French from Latin praerogativa [illegible]

Syllabification: nep·o·tism

8- nepotism /ˈnepəˌtizəm/ n

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nepotistic/ [illegible] /adj

Ex: Your efforts to ingratiate yourself into your [illegible] are nullified by the [illegible] nepotism [illegible]

[illegible]

syn: favouritism, preferential treatment, bias, partiality

Origin: Mid 17th century: from French népotisme, from Italian nepotismo, from nipote 'nephew' [illegible]

Syllabification: lar·gess

[illegible] /[illegible]/ n

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Ex: Although he was [illegible] a copious number of things, he was a [illegible] when it came to [illegible] in gifts.

[illegible]

syn: [illegible]

Origin: Late Middle English: from Latin [illegible] medieval Latin [illegible]

Syllabification: [illegible]

[illegible] /[illegible]/ n

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Ex: Her sophistry made use of every glib artifice.

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syn: [illegible]

Syllabification: ob·lo·quy

15- obloquy /ˈäbləkwē/ n

[illegible]

Ex: John Wilkes Booth's [illegible] and remains an infamous obloquy.

[illegible]

syn: vilification, opprobrium, [illegible] disgrace, ignominy

Origin: Late Middle English: from late Latin obloquium 'contradiction', from Latin obloqui, from ob- 'against' + loqui 'speak'.

Syllabification: hy·per·bo·le

16- hyperbole /hīˈpərbəlē/ n

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hyperbolical/ [illegible] /adj

hyperbolically/ [illegible] /adv

hyperbolism/ [illegible] /n

Ex: The rhetoric soared into flagrant hyperbole.

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syn: exaggeration, overstatement, magnification, rhetoric

Origin: Late Middle English: via Latin from Greek huperbolē

Syllabification: cha·ris·ma

19- charisma /kəˈrizmə/ n

[illegible]

charismatic/ [illegible] /adj

Ex: Even those who were not fans of the movie star candidly admit the charisma that surrounded him.

[illegible]

syn: charm, strength of character, magnetism, attractiveness

Origin: Mid 17th century: via ecclesiastical Latin from Greek kharisma, from kharis 'favour, grace'.

Syllabification: gen·o·cide

20- genocide /ˈjenəˌsīd/ n

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Ex: The United Nations has outlawed genocide as the ultimate crime, which must be eradicated.

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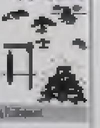

syn: mass murder, massacre, annihilation, holocaust

Origin: 1940s: from Greek genos 'race' + -cide.

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To draw in one's horns

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He knew he was out of his depth, so he drew in his horns and quit the poker game.

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To throw cold water

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I was going to pull up stakes and move our kids, dogs, and llamas, but my wife threw cold water on the whole thing.

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